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from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

THREE AMERICANS

Like the name of Medgar Evers, those of James Chaney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner will go down in history as martyrs to the cause of racial justice.

The brutal and unwarranted murder of the three may have helped secure passage of a civil rights law which — though only a partial solution to a grave dilemma — is at least the strongest in history to date.

But there should have been no deaths.

Why do people commit murder because of the emotions stirred up by racial intolerance?

Who could be so insecure and filled with hate?

These three young men gave their lives in pursuit of the highest ideals of Americanism.

Let us strive to guarantee that their sacrifice for freedom stands as a stern lesson, not to those who want to help register citizens to vote, but to anyone who resorts to violence.

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THE TAKEOVER

The Republican Party of 1964 is a strange beast.

It has been captured by the forces of reaction.

It hovers on the brink of neo-fascism as the extremists who swamped its convention complete their conquest.

These radical right-wing extremists have neutralized the so-called responsible element of the party. And they are now solidifying their hold on the presidential candidate, a man who apparently sympathizes with them but who waters down his statements for public consumption — except when taken by surprise.

The headline writers in the daily press keep talking about attempts to "unify" the Republican Party.

The sad fact is that the GOP is now "unified" under the right-wing conservatives. Practically all of the party's leaders — like ex-President Eisenhower — have expressed their misgivings but say they will support the ticket, nevertheless.

This bankruptcy of principle would appear to be the best news possible for the labor movement and other supporters of President Johnson.

But one thing makes us extremely uneasy.

If so many GOP office holders can so suddenly swallow their principles, how about rank-and-file voters? If they jump aboard the bandwagon and follow the simple panaceas of Barry Goldwater, the United States may face the greatest crisis in its history.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

Buy Labor Day Picnic tickets; help beat Barry

CLC: Tribune race survey, U.C. program

The Central Labor Council approved setting up of a union advisory committee to work with civil rights groups in probing possible job discrimination by the Oakland Tribune Monday night.

It also heard details of the expanded labor education program at the University of California from Herb Perry of Steamfitters 342, new coordinator of labor programs at U.C.'s Berkeley campus.

Information furnished the committee, the Executive Committee was told, indicates only two per cent of the Tribune's 1,300 regular employees are members of minority groups, compared with a 30 per cent Negro population in Oakland.

U.C. PROGRAM

Perry, who replaces John Hutchison as coordinator of labor programs under the new expanded U.C. setup, was assistant coordinator until 2½ years ago, when he left to become director of the Labor Education Center at the University of Connecticut.

He told Alameda County unionists Monday night that there are already five members of the labor education staff at the UCLA Institute of Industrial Relations.

A second member will be added at Berkeley next month and possibly a third after the first of the year, Perry said.

Under the expanded labor education and research program, Perry added, it is expected that two persons will be hired for research on union-requested projects.

The program will also include expanded leadership training and other courses for the benefit of unions, similar to services provided by the university for business and agriculture.

However, Perry warned, it will be necessary for the labor movement to support the program by using it for it to survive and be expanded.

Perry cited the vital need for better training of union leaders, stating that management spends millions of dollars annually for this purpose.

CLC delegates voted not to hold a meeting next Monday because the California Labor Federation convention will be in progress in San Francisco.

The CLC Executive Committee meeting of Aug. 21 was also cancelled by vote of delegates.

The council will hold nomina-



PROTESTS AGAINST racial discrimination in hiring and placement of Oakland Recreation Department playground directors were made by East Bay Municipal Employees 390 and were backed up by picket lines in front of the City Hall this week and last week. Union Business Manager Cliff Sanders told the Central Labor Council that union principles of seniority, overtime pay and advancement opportunities were involved. Other unions and civil rights groups supported the picketing.

Lumber yard drivers, other workers back

Employees of Bay Area lumber and plywood yards were back at work this week after Teamster lumber drivers voted to end a one week strike and accept a 33½ cent hourly wage package and other benefits Monday.

Secretary-Treasurer Joe Sawyer of Alameda County Local 291 said his local voted to accept the package 114 to 1. He said all five Teamster locals in the Bay Area involved voted approval.

Among unions whose members had observed the picket lines at members of the Lumber and Mill Employers Association were Clerks and Lumber Handlers 939, Glaziers 169 and Millmen 550 in Alameda County.

Other gains won by the lumber and plywood drivers include a dental plan, better health and welfare and pension coverage, a tighter hiring hall clause, and employer payment of up to 12 months of health and welfare and pension premiums for those injured on the job and up to one month for those off work because of illness.

Sawyer said lumber and plywood drivers will be eligible for pensions of up to \$200 a month.

Wage increases include 12½ cents retroactive to July 1; 11 cents July 1, 1965, and 10 cents July 1, 1966.

BTC endorses United Crusade drive for 1964

Endorsement of the 1964 United Bay Area Crusade fund drive has been voted by the Alameda County Building Trades Council.

J. L. Childers, business representative for the council and a long-time member of UBAC governing boards and labor-management bodies, will represent labor in the 1964 campaign as co-chairman of the Bay Area construction group.

Action came at the Building Trades Council's meeting last week following a recommendation the previous Tuesday from its Executive Board.

Among other Executive Board recommendations approved by delegates was the plea that union problems involving Modulux, Inc., manufacturer of prefabricated school buildings, 1273 Industrial Parkway West, Hayward, be referred to the State Building Trades Council.

Business Representative Childers explained that many of the prefabricated buildings will be placed on sites in other parts of the state, and there is some question whether this work will be done by union craftsmen in all cases.

Childers said the firm now employs some 200 persons, and unionists here do not feel the Alameda County BTC should bear the entire cost.

Labor's only chance here to raise \$\$

The 1964 Alameda County Labor Day Picnic is drawing close. Ticket sales so far have been rather slow.

This is the Alameda County labor movement's only chance to build up a political war chest for its important role in helping President Johnson carry the key state of California against the Goldwater threat.

These points were made at Monday night's Central Labor Council meeting by Executive Secretary Robert S. Ash, who is also secretary-treasurer of the Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education.

COPE, the Central Labor Council and Building Trades Council are working to make the '64 Labor Day Picnic the biggest and best ever.

GOVERNOR TO SPEAK

In addition to brief speeches by California's Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown and Congressman Jeffery Cohelan, Don Edwards and George P. Miller, there will be:

- A stage show with top television acts.
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The three top awards will include an all-expense paid trip for two persons to Hawaii or Mexico and two \$100 U.S. savings bonds.

'AS CRUCIAL AS '58'

In a letter to all local unions, Ash stressed that "this year's election is as crucial to labor as the 1958 right-to-work election" and added that financial support

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Printing Specialties No. 5 officials tied in holdup

Two men wearing caps and dark glasses walked into the Printing Specialties Joint District Council 5 Office, held up four persons at gunpoint and escaped with about \$200 at 4:30 p.m. Monday.

They stuck revolvers into the faces of John Ferro, president; Fredrick T. Sullivan, secretary-treasurer; Ann Wight, bookkeeper, and Evelyn Crissman, office worker, and tied hands and legs of all four while they rifled a safe.

Forcing the four to lie under desks, the two also took checks made out to the district council.

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HOW TO BUY

Goldwater-GOP consumer attack

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

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The 1964 Goldwater Republican platform contains a strong attack on recent advances in consumer protection.

The Goldwater policy program specifically threatens the consumer defense efforts of a number of federal agencies and programs, especially the Food and Drug Administration's new rules governing labeling and advertising of drugs under the 1962 Kefauver-Harris Act.

Whatever protection your family has gained from the new drug law in the form of a modest reduction in prices, greater reliability and more informative advertising and labeling would be wiped out.

The GOP says it will end "power-grabbing regulatory actions, such as the reach of the Federal Trade Commission for injunctive powers and ceaseless pressing of the White House, the Food and Drug Administration and the Federal Trade Commission to dominate consumer decisions in the market place."

GOLDWATER'S ATTACK also threatens a new plan for consumer education for limited income families now being developed by Mrs. Esther Peterson, President Johnson's consumer adviser, and a committee of government, consumer, labor, co-op and business representatives.

The budding consumer education program promises to be helpful to responsible businessmen as well as low income consumers, since a family that knows how to handle money and avoid the more flagrant gouges is able to buy more.

Several officials of national business organizations are serving on the new consumer education committee.

The attack on the Food and Drug Administration is especially alarming, since its work involves the reliability and safety of the medicines you buy for your family. The Kefauver amendments gave the FDA increased power to inspect drug factories and check on purity and quality control.

These provisions reassure your doctor, and yourself, that it is safe for him to prescribe a medicine under its lower cost generic name.

REGULATIONS governing effectiveness of new drugs also have been improved.

Prior to the Kefauver-Harris amendments, the FDA lacked authority to prevent the marketing of new drugs which may not have been safe, solely on the grounds that they had not been shown to be effective. Now, proof of effectiveness as well as safety must be supplied.

Coop Agreement

The boards of directors of the Consumers Cooperative of Berkeley and the Consumers Cooperative Society of Palo Alto have agreed to a contract under which the Berkeley Coop will provide over-all management to the Palo Alto cooperative shopping centers in Palo Alto, Mountain View and Sunnyvale.

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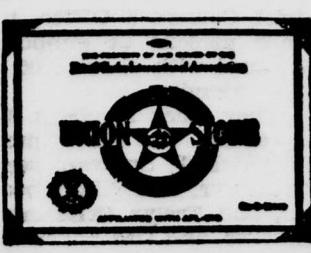
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Profits from stock options

Stock option plans have been more than profitable to big business executives, who have grossed more than \$1,000,000,000 from them in 14 years, a United Automobile Workers research expert has charged.

Woodrow Ginsburg, UAW research director, told in an article in the union's official publication how executives are given bargain rates on their companies' securities.

However, he pointed out, the executives are often allowed to wait to exercise their bargain options until the stocks' prices have climbed on the market.

If they then buy high-priced shares at a low rate, hold them for six months before selling—and cleaning up—they are taxed only for capital gains. This is a 25 per cent rate, about half the tax rate on an executive's salary and bonus.

Congress helped out in 1950 by changing the law, which previously had taxed such gains at the regular rate, to permit taxation as capital gains, Ginsburg notes.

A \$3,400,000 30-story apartment building for retired teachers will be built by the Chicago Teachers Union, according to John M. Fewkes, president.

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Auto dealers warned by BBB

Auto dealers who advertise "no down payment" but who really mean that no down payment is required but cash is needed in the form of a side loan were warned by the Better Business Bureau last week.

The bureau cited Article 1, Section 11713, of the California Vehicle Code and Section 17500 of the Business and Professions Code.

Egghead advice

Home economists say that eggs should stand on their heads—small end down—when stored in the refrigerator rack. That's the way packers put them in the carton and they keep better that way.

There's no color line in eggs—whatever happens to people. Brown eggs and white eggs have the same range of food value.

Prices up

Bay Area consumer prices moved up slightly during the second quarter of 1964 as a result of boosts in the costs of housing, transportation and health and recreation.

Food prices dropped a bit but not enough to offset the over-all increases. And the all-items cost index went up to 110.6 per cent of the 1957-59 level to 1.6 per cent higher than a year ago.

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WHAT PRICE NO-FROST?

In shopping for a refrigerator-freezer, should you consider a no-frost model? That depends on how much the convenience of this feature is worth to you, says Consumers Union in the August issue of Consumer Reports.

CU engineers tested 24 2-door refrigerator freezers, 14 of them standard with freezers at the top, and 10 no-frost, with bottom-mounted freezers. The top-rated no-frost models, with their somewhat larger freezers, cost \$502 on the average, as compared with \$277 for top-rated standards. To this price difference of \$225 should be added the higher operating cost of the no-frosts.

If you pay 3 cents per kilowatt hour for electricity, this can amount to something like \$1.77 extra per month—which would add \$318 extra if the refrigerator lasts as long as 15 years. Thus, you could pay a total of about \$543 extra for the no-frost feature on an assumed life of 15 years.

In the no-frost units tested, additional features (such as a bottom freezer) contribute to the high initial price tag. But mainly, what you get for the extra cost is the convenience of never having to defrost your refrigerator. This is quite a convenience, as any housewife will attest. But is it worth the extra money?

NO-FROST models do offer some further advantages, CU points out. They have, on the whole, more even temperature distribution and lower freezer door temperatures. But they also have a built-in drawback: the periodic defrost cycle causes a rise in temperature in some part of the freezer—not great enough to affect stored food at once, but enough to cause a gradual loss in quality over a long period.

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Polyunsaturated myth debunked

So-called polyunsaturated fats and oils do not reduce the risk of heart and artery diseases, according to George P. Lerrick, chief of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Polyunsaturated fats and oils "play no significant part in reducing blood cholesterol unless the diet is changed drastically in other respects," Lerrick said at a meeting of consumer organization representatives.

If food companies don't stop making such claims, Lerrick added, the FDA plans to take legal action.

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2,000 expected at CLF convention in San Francisco

More than 2,000 delegates are expected to convene in San Francisco Monday for the California Labor Federation's biennial convention.

The convention will be the first to be held in San Francisco since the AFLCIO merger on the state level in 1958.

Sessions will be in the San Francisco Civic Auditorium, and convention headquarters will be the Del Webb Towne House, where registration will begin at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Featured speakers will include: Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, who will address the opening session at 10 a.m. Monday; President James A. Suffridge of the Retail Clerks International Association, representing AFLCIO President George Meany; Lt. Gov. Glenn M. Anderson; C. J. Haggerty, president of the AFLCIO Building Trades Department; Alexander Barkan, national COPE director, and other state and national leaders.

A special feature Wednesday afternoon will be presentation of 11 \$500 college scholarships to winners in the 14th annual high school scholarship competition sponsored by the federation.

AWOC issues call for 30,000 green tomato pickers

Up to 30,000 green tomato pickers are needed in the San Joaquin Valley to harvest this year's crop, according to C. Al Green, director of the AFLCIO Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee.

Green said the union had raised wages to \$1.25 an hour on a large number of farms. Formerly pay for the work was \$1 an hour.

He urged any persons needing work to report to AWOC Headquarters, 329 S. San Joaquin St., Stockton. The office opens at 3 a.m. week days.

Praising the work of AWOC units on organizing so far this year, Green said last year about 10,000 domestic workers and between 15,000 and 20,000 Braceros worked in the crop.

He said the union seeks to recruit enough domestic workers so Braceros will not be used this year.

Chabot College to add 6 new career programs

Six new two-year career programs will be offered by Chabot College in the fall.

They include: automotive technology, machine technology, business data processing, dental assisting, electronic technology and police science.

Chabot College will also offer courses for employed persons desiring to raise job competence, learn new skills or increase chances for promotion.

Classes will be from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Full information is obtainable at 1177 Aladdin Ave., San Leandro. The phone is 357-1120.

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Unionists to serve on state central committee

At least three Alameda County unionists have been appointed to the State Democratic Central Committee, which meets Sunday in Sacramento.

They include C. R. Bartallini, executive secretary of the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters, named by Rep. George P. Miller (D.-8th Dist.); Joe W. Chaudet, general manager of the East Bay Labor Journal, who was named by Rep. Jeffery Cohelan (D.-7th Dist.) and Tony Polvrosa, president of Steelworkers 4468, appointed by Assemblyman Robert W. Crown (D.-Alameda).

NEGRO university graduates are not sharing in the successful upward movement of white graduates, according to the Labor Department. Twenty-one per cent of white graduates become managers, officials or owners, compared with seven per cent of Negroes.

Supervisors won't appeal Fort case

The Board of Supervisors has decided not to appeal the Fort case to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The board acted after Deputy District Attorney Richard Moore said he believes the U.S. Supreme Court would uphold the State Supreme Court.

The State Supreme Court earlier this year ordered the county to reinstate Dr. Joel Fort, a member of East Bay Municipal Employees 390, who was fired as director of the Alameda County Center for Treatment and Education on Alcoholism for off-the-job political activity.

Dr. Fort was active in the Brown and Kennedy campaigns.

The state court also ruled the county's 1927 ordinance banning off-job political activity by employees was unconstitutional. The ruling is expected to have far-reaching effect on public employees in other jurisdictions.

AFLCIO unions gain 360,000

AFLCIO unions gained more than 360,000 members during the first six months of 1964, according to AFLCIO President George Meany.

Meany pointed out this represents "a reversal of the trend that has existed for the past few years."

He told reporters the AFLCIO organizing drive in the Los Angeles area, which began two years ago, has done "reasonably well."

National AFLCIO participation in the program will now be phased out, and local groups will carry on the campaign Meany declared.

The AFLCIO will carry on its current organizing drives in the Washington, D.C.-Baltimore area and will start another soon in the Atlanta area, Meany said.

The AFLCIO president said the Los Angeles campaign netted 46,000 new union members.

He said this is not as many as

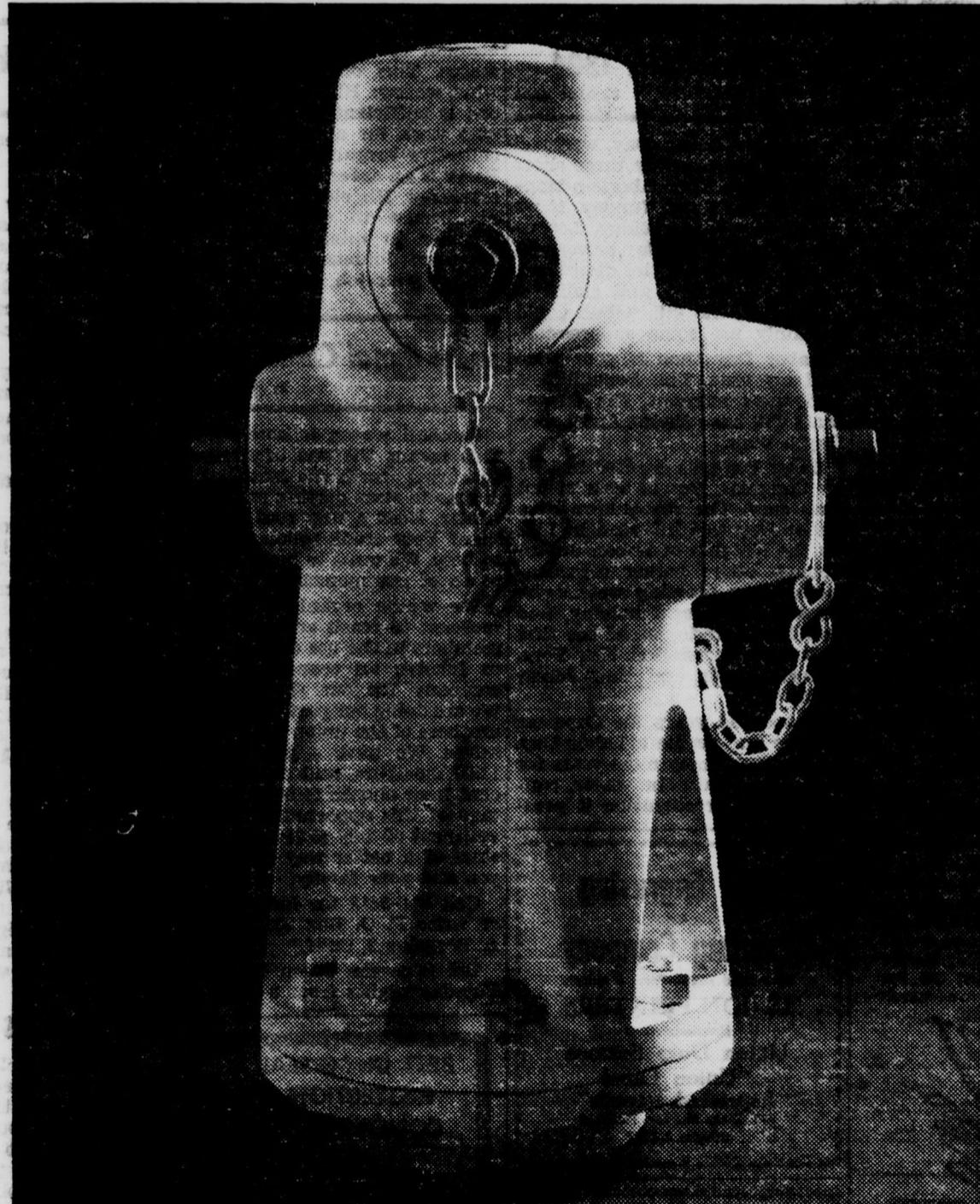
had been hoped for. But the drive developed techniques of cooperation in organizing and paved the way for future campaigns, Meany declared.

U.N. memorial urged for Alcatraz Island

Congressman Jeffery Cohelan (D.-Berkeley) is a member of the Commission on the Disposition of Alcatraz Island, which has recommended that a monument commemorating the founding of the United Nations be erected on the site.

The commission advocated that a proposal submitted by the San Francisco Chapter of the American Association for the United Nations be adopted.

The chapter urged that a monument be built to honor the founding of the U.N. in San Francisco in 1945 "and as a symbol of peace."



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Berkeley Trade College acquires new machine tools

Machine tools valued at \$143,623 are being installed at Berkeley Trade and Technical College to improve its machine shop and welding instruction programs.

The college plans to expand training programs for practicing machinists and for qualified high school students and young adults who plan to enter apprenticeship in machine trades.

The 44 tools range from a \$552 generator-type welder to a \$16,000 boring horizontal drilling machine. They are "on loan" from the National Industrial Equipment Reserve.

Walter Miller, director of vocational education for Berkeley schools, started negotiations for the equipment last year.

Some of the new tools will replace outdated machines now in use, including items "on loan" from the federal government since World War I.

AFTERNOON CLASS

They will make it possible for the college to begin an afternoon training class in addition to its three evening classes.

The new afternoon class will be open to a limited number of qualified high school seniors and young adults 24 and under who plan to enter apprenticeship.

A labor-management advisory committee is working with the college on this project.

Three evening classes are designed for practicing machinists who wish to increase and upgrade their skills. Both broad programs of advanced training and classes devoted to particular processes are offered.

Fee is \$3 a semester for those over 21. Additional information may be obtained at the college, TH 1-1422, Ext 223 or 224.

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!



FILM TECHNICIANS prepare lighting and sound equipment for Dave Garroway, narrator in the new AFLCIO motion picture, "When the Day's Work is Done." In the background is the mural at the AFLCIO headquarters in Washington, D.C. The film depicts labor's community service activities. It will be premiered on television Labor Day.

Steel Machinists 1304

By DAVE ARCA

Hi. The Labor Day weekend approaches. It's only three short weeks away. Your laborless Monday can be a real funday, if we make it a safe holiday. Let us hope that the holiday driver will use care and a little discretion. For with caution and skill, we can lessen the kill, which could certainly use some suppression.

Labor Day time is your time and my time. The Republicans had their moment, the Democrats will have theirs. And Labor Day is ours.

Labor Day was enacted in 1894 by Congress. But it wasn't just that easy. The recognition of a Labor Day was initiated in 1882 by the Knights of Labor. Subsequently other worker organizations began pressing state legislatures for a legal holiday, and in 1887 Colorado passed the first Labor Day legislation. New York, Massachusetts and New Jersey followed.

It took 14 years for Congress to give our people a Labor Day. And it took many more years for Labor to obtain the wages, conditions and recognition it pres-

ently enjoys. It can take ONE election to destroy our present status. This one. If Goldwater wins, we lose. His anti-labor record is sufficient warning to all who work for a living under a collective bargaining agreement. Barry is an ardent right-to-work extremist. His election would be his license to destroy unions. Register to vote, and vote for President Johnson. If you don't protect your job, who will?

Retail Clerks Union 870

By CHARLES F. JONES

The employees of Markus Hardware met last week and ratified a new three year contract. The new agreement provides for a substantial wage increase as well as improvements in the Health and Welfare Plan, which will include dental care and prescription drugs. The employees of Markus will also be covered under a pension plan, with the employer to start making contributions in 1965.

Negotiation meetings with AGE and Rhodes Department Store were held last week, and more meetings are scheduled for this week.

Another negotiation meeting with the retail liquor store dealers was held on Tuesday, Aug. 11.

The members of Local 870 working under the drug agreement will have an open enrollment period to add any new dependents for Blue Cross coverage. This open enrollment period expires on Sept. 1; so any member wishing to add dependents must come into the Union Office before Sept. 1.

REGISTER TO VOTE!

The deadline for registration in California is Sept. 10.

It is imperative that all members of Local 870 and their families register by this date, or they will not be eligible to vote on Nov. 6. This is a critical election year, and every vote is important.

Job changes training

The average 20-year-old male worker can expect to change jobs about 6 or 7 times during his work life of about 43 years and many of the job changes will entail retraining. These and other findings on job changing and training appear in a new Department of Labor research report entitled "Job Changing and Manpower Training."

Teacher examinations

Applications for foreign language examinations for state teaching credentials are available in Room 182, County Office Building, 224 West Winton Avenue, Hayward, County Superintendent of Schools Rock La Fleche announced today.

June job picture better; future improvement seen

Recent economic trends indicate a stronger employment situation and promise a job growth which may begin to cut into the unemployment problem, according to the Johnson Administration.

President Johnson and Labor Secretary W. Willard Wirtz based optimistic statements on the latest government reports which showed strong advances in the gross national product, in non-farm employment and in personal income.

BOOST IN JOBS

Wirtz notified the White House of the Labor Department's detailed job report for June which showed a rise of 600,000 to a record high of 59.1 million non-farm payroll jobs.

This was 100,000 more than the substantial gain usually occurring this time of the year. Wirtz said the strong job growth is expected to continue through the remainder of the year and "eat into the unemployment total."

The Labor Department's summary job figures for June showed unemployment rising by 1,100,000 to a total of 4,700,000. The seasonally adjusted jobless rate moved up to 5.3 per cent from May's 5.1 per cent.

FIGURE UNCHANGED

In the summary, the Labor Department reported a job rise of 850,000—all in agriculture. The non-farm employment total remained unchanged at 66,100,000 when it was expected to rise by nearly 400,000, the summary said.

But the detailed report, showing an extra-seasonal jump of 600,000 to 59,100,000 million payroll jobs, presented a more favorable picture, the Labor Department noted. It said short-term divergences between the two reports are not uncommon, with the figures tending to coincide over the longer term.

The summary report is based on household surveys by the Census Bureau. The detailed report is based on payroll data from employers, hence the smaller non-farm total.

Oregon sinks 'right to work'

Union-smashing via "right to work" imitated a lead balloon in Oregon where citizens—in droves—shunned a petition drive to put the open shop measure on the ballot.

Needed by July 1 were 46,600 signatures to place the proposition on the ballot. Acquired by "right to work" forces on the same date were less than 1,000 signatures.

Anti-union forces had the bad luck to draw a state supreme court decision that they could not use their misleading "right to work" title on the petition.

The court agreed with a labor protest that the phrase is a "false . . . misleading . . . prejudicial" tag on a measure which "does not provide or guarantee any employment for anyone."

The state AFL-CIO recalled that a prominent John Bircher publicly proposed a "right to work" petition drive earlier this year. It got small support and even employer organizations discouraged it and refused to back it.

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OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Special called meeting Thursday, Aug. 20, at 8 p.m. Executive Board meets 6:30 p.m.

Agenda of special meeting:
1. Consideration of consolidation of Workmen's Compensation Committee and Welfare Committee.

2. Consideration of proposed economy measures for 1304.

3. Nomination of a delegate to the International Convention at Atlantic City.

Fraternally,
D. ARCA
Secretary

W. V. V.

CLERKS, LUMBER HANDLERS 939

The next meeting of Clerks and Lumber Handlers Union No. 939 will be held Friday, Aug. 28, 1964, at 8 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, Calif.

A special order of business will be nominations and elections to fill the vacancies of president and one delegate to the Alameda County Building Trades Council.

Fraternally,
MEL TOMPKINS
Secretary-Treasurer

W. V. V.

BARBERS 134

Regular meeting of the Barbers Union, Local No. 134, will be held on Thursday, Aug. 27, 1964, at the Labor Temple, 23rd and Valdez Streets, Oakland, Calif., at 8 p.m.

Two important matters will come up for your consideration:

1. To vote on the proposed \$1 increase of dues, per month, per member.

2. To vote on whether or not to allow our retired members to be eligible to continue their membership by paying reduced dues.

Will you come and vote "yes" on these two worthy matters?

Fraternally,
I. O. (Al) CHAMORRO
Secty.-Treas.

W. V. V.

TYPOGRAPHICAL 36

The next regular membership meeting will be Sunday, Aug. 23, in the Alameda County Central Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, at 10 a.m. Nominations and election will be held for the following offices: delegate, Northern California Conference of Typographical Unions; delegate, Central Labor Council, and member of the Executive Committee, News Branch.

Fraternally,
ART TRIGGS
President

W. V. V.

ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

Meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 8 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, Walnut and Central, Alameda. Refreshments are served on the first meeting of the month.

Fraternally,
CHARLES LEHMANN
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

CARPENTERS 1473

Local 1473 meets on the first and third Fridays of each month at Eagle Hall, 1228 36th Ave., Oakland, at 8 p.m.

Fraternally,
J. W. KIRKMAN
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meeting held second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Ave., Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. McINTOSH
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

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HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

The next regular meeting of Painters 1178 will be Friday, Aug. 21.

The Sept. 4 meeting will be postponed because of the Labor Day weekend.

The Sept. 18 meeting will be a regular and a special called meeting. Subject: the question of extra help in the office, also the report of delegates from the general convention.

Fraternally,
R. H. FITZGERALD
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

E.B. MUNI EMPLOYEES 390

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Thursday, Aug. 13, 7 p.m., Room 232, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

CITY OF OAKLAND (390 F)
Wednesday, Aug. 19, 8 p.m., Room 232, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

FAIRMONT HOSPITAL (390 GF)

Thursday, Aug. 27, 8 p.m., Carpenters Hall, 1050 Mattox Rd., Hayward.

Fraternally,
CLIFF SANDERS
Bus. Mgr.

W. V. V.

CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified regular meetings will be held on the first and third Fridays at 8 p.m. at 761 12th St., Oakland, Calif.

Stewards will meet on the third Thursday of each month at the above address at 7:30 p.m.

Every attempt is being made by Local 36 to get all members registered to vote at the General Election, which will be held Nov. 3, 1964. If you move or failed to vote in the last General Election you must register in order to vote. Your vote at the General Election may decide many important issues for the citizens of America. The final date for registration is Sept. 10, 1964. You can register at any fire station, Alameda County Court House and at your local union meetings.

Fraternally,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

CO. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

No meetings in August because of vacation.

Our fall meeting will be Sept. 12, 1964. The Executive Board meets at 10 a.m. on the above date.

Fraternally,
HAROLD BENNE
Secretary

W. V. V.

CEMETERY WORKERS 322

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

The September meeting will be a SPECIAL MEETING. It will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 1. Be sure to attend.

Fraternally,
PAUL KATZ
Business Representative

W. V. V.

PAINTERS 127

The next regular meeting of your local is Thursday, August 13, 1964.

Fraternally,
JAMES L. BROWN
Recording Secretary

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Fraternally,
DON CROSSMAN
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

AUTO AND SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18, in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE
Bus. Rep.

W. V. V.

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Regular meetings are held every Friday evening at 8:00 p.m.

Stewards meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Our social event is held the last Friday of each month.

Fraternally,
A. W. RICE
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

Regular meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each month at Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut St., Berkeley

Fraternally,
NICK J. AFDAMO
Recording Secretary

W. V. V.

Mrs. Draper says too few unionists at CORE rally

Barbers 134

By JOHN A. MONTE, JR.

We are now engaged in a war with a non-union shop at 1914 Park Blvd., Oakland.

Seeing that the nucleus of our union does not want an assessment, our good brothers in this area have banded together and volunteered to assess themselves. The shop owners are assessed \$5 a week and the employee \$2.50 a week to help organize this shop.

This scab is not just cutting prices. He is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., with the exception of Sunday, when he closes "early" at 6 p.m.

We have asked the Central Labor Council for all the help they can give us. We are taking the license numbers of cars whenever possible.

The barbers are out picketing this shop on Sunday and Monday and nights.

Anyone wishing to volunteer to help this cause contact the Union Office, 832-1955, because this cause is one that we must all fight for.

Quick action on hospital aid bill urged

The AFLCIO has urged the Senate to give quick approval to the bill passed by the House to expand the Hill-Burton Hospital Construction Act.

The Hill-Burton Act's federal construction grants for hospitals has made an "enormous contribution" to better health, AFLCIO Legislative Director Andrew Biemiller and Social Security Director Nelson Cruikshank told the Senate Labor Committee.

MODERNIZATION AID
Its value will be enhanced they told the committee, by House-approved provisions earmarking a portion of the grants for modernization of existing hospitals.

When the Hill-Burton program was first enacted in 1946, they noted, the great gap in hospital care was in the rural areas and the smaller communities.

CITY PROBLEMS

"As a result of the great success of the Hill-Burton program this picture has radically changed," Biemiller and Cruikshank said. Today's deficiencies, they stressed, "tend instead to be concentrated in the cores of our big cities," where older hospitals are obsolete or inefficient.

Mrs. Draper said Gregory joined a Newspaper Guild picket line in Honolulu last year.

Adkins said that much of the time of the Newspaper Guild convention was devoted to the need for getting more minority group members newspaper jobs.

Register to Vote Month proclaimed in Alameda County

Pointing out that in some communities as many as 40 per cent of those eligible are not registered to vote, the Board of Supervisors has unanimously proclaimed the month of August Register to Vote Month.

The board, in a resolution passed on the motion of Supervisor Leland Sweeney and seconded by Supervisor John D. Murphy, said:

"The abdication of their rights as citizens and their responsibility to their nation by so many of the people resident in our county is a matter of grave concern and a threat to our nation's security."

It added that "the Central Labor Council of Alameda County, AFLCIO, has concerned itself with this problem and is conducting a vigorous non-partisan voter registration drive to register all citizens eligible to vote in Alameda County and has requested this Board of Supervisors of Alameda County and the city councils of all cities therein to proclaim the month of August as 'Register to Vote Month'."

Among cities which had adopted "Register to Vote Month" resolutions as of last week's Central Labor Council meeting was Hayward, whose Mayor John N. Pappas issued a proclamation incorporating some of the same language as the county document and urging "all eligible citizens to qualify themselves to participate in this year's election."

Lithographers back Mississippi vote drive

Amalgamated Lithographers 17 announced support this week of the campaign to register voters in Mississippi and urged federal protection for freedom workers in the face of terror against them.

Local 17's membership authorized the union's interracial committee to ask voluntary contributions to help finance the voter drive by volunteers working under direction of the Council of Federated Organizations.

Their resolution urged President Johnson to order hearings in Mississippi by the Civil Rights Commission and to assign federal marshals to protect registration workers.

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Chips and Chatter

By GUNNAR (Benny) BENONYS

Work calls have increased for the past three weeks, and as of this Monday's roll call the list is down to 173, nearly full employment.

There are several large jobs in the area yet to start which will help to carry us into the winter season.

The union indoctrination classes established by C. R. Bartalini, executive secretary of the District Council, and under the personal direction of Harold Rossman, director of education and research, are continuing to meet with tremendous success and continue to evoke national interest and attention from other internationals.

At the last meeting of the District Council, Brother Bartalini announced that these same classes will be further expanded to include new journeyman applicants also.

Those of us who have attended some of these classes and listened to Bartalini, Figone and Rossman and special featured speakers realize the really fine educational program being carried out.

For a good many apprentices and journeymen applicants, this is their first real experience with solid unionism. Many come into the program with preconceived anti-union ideas. Here they really find out the true facts of living and working under good contract conditions and how and why these came into being.

Most interesting of all is that many wives and girl friends attend also and surprisingly are every bit as interested in the program.

Certainly the net results will be good, solid, understanding and active members rather than only "pie card" members.

Your local will continue to support the East Bay Labor Journal at an increase in subscription rate necessitated by the various cost items which have occurred since 1947.

The State Building Trades Council held a really fine meeting recently at San Diego. President Bryan Deavers and his staff of officers held one of the finest conferences I've had the privilege to attend.

Top speakers with timely and challenging messages to all of us who work for the membership were: Thomas Pitts, secretary, and Al Gruhn, president of the California Labor Federation; Neil Haggerty, president of the Building Trades Department; Pierre Salinger, new U.S. senator; Ernie Webb, director of the California Department of Industrial Relations, and many other friends of labor, whom we call on for help from time to time on behalf of our members.

Our most sincere sympathy to Brother Al Thoman, whose mother passed away after a serious illness.

See you at the next meeting.



PRESIDENT AND MRS. JOHNSON, with Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Wirtz, greeted more than 150 labor editors at the White House after the President held the first news conference specially for the labor press in the East Room. Moving through the receiving line are Kenneth Fiester, secretary-treasurer of the International Labor Press Association, shaking hands with the President, and Leo Stein, ILPA president, being greeted by Mrs. Johnson.

Please see that you are registered to vote for the next election.

Congratulations to Bros. Oscar Anderson, George Collins and Paul Bannon for the very good work they are doing on registration.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

As I reported last week, due to illness of our former office secretary, we now have a new office secretary in the office. It will take a little time for the new office girl to get used to our office system, etc.

If you phone and fail to receive the answers you desire immediately, I am sure you will understand and be patient for a little while. I expect to get busy on a few items on the outside that pertain to the union just as soon as the new girl understands our office routine.

There is a high grade union trade shop available for a watchmaker in San Francisco. The owner is leaving the shop to enter another type of business; this is the only reason the owner is leaving this particular trade shop. What the terms or conditions of obtaining the shop are I do not know. This will have to be worked out with the present owner. If anyone is interested, phone the Union Office for information.

San Francisco union meeting Thursday, Aug. 20, 1964, at Union Hall, 693 Mission St. Executive Board at 7 p.m. Regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Aid to fair employment

Labor will use its economic weapons of collective bargaining and contract enforcement as well as education to help bring about "massive compliance" with the fair employment provisions of the Civil Rights Act, AFL-CIO Civil Rights Director Donald Slaiman stressed in a radio interview.

See you at the next meeting.

Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

Meetings were held recently with the labor relations representative of the Fluor Corp., the C. F. Braun Co. and the Ralph Parsons Co. in Los Angeles, relative to determining manpower to be required, pipe fabrication and general information relative to these companies' contracts as applied to the Shell Oil Co.'s 80 million dollar expansion program at its refinery in Martinez.

This new unit at the Shell Oil Refinery will be built south of the present PG&E Powerhouse at Martinez and will encompass some 1,800 running feet east to west and 900 feet running north to south, with parking space just adjacent.

Fluor Corp. has \$40 million of this project, and from information received will get started approximately in November of this year, peaking out in June of 1965, with approximately 400 fitters and welders, and a completion date of March, 1966. No piping superintendent or general foreman has been designated at this date.

C. F. Braun Co. of Alhambra has the other unit, consisting of 30 million dollars and will be on the job site in January of 1965, peaking out in the latter part of the year with some 300 fitters and welders.

A lengthy discussion was held with both companies relative to doing the pipe fabrication on the job site, and these companies stated they would review same with their principals and advise accordingly. The question they proposed was: Would there be sufficient people available due to do not only the Shell's expansion program, but also the Standard Oil at Richmond scheduled for 1965? However, we will have complete information after the pre-job conference to be held in September with all crafts present.

The Ralph Parsons Co. has a \$10 million contract for off-plot piping, etc., and will start work in approximately 60 days. They

have indicated they will do most of the fabrication on the job site, and again, more later on this as it develops. Manpower will be around 100 fitters and welders.

The Kellogg Co. has been awarded the Asphalt Process Unit at Standard Oil and will start its project in February of 1965.

To date, no information has been received to the large projects to be awarded at Standard Oil.

The piping contracts are due to be awarded in the near future at Bethlehem Steel on the old Atlas road in Richmond. This will help our unemployment.

In the interim, waiting for something to break, we have been able to put some of our people to work due to our relationship with our sister local unions, as we have, at this writing, some 240 fitters, 140 welders and 30 apprentices on the availability list.

Typographical 36

By ART TRIGGS

Meetings are scheduled with the commercial employers and the manifold representatives this week to continue contract negotiations which have been in the doldrums. Now that the San Francisco strike is settled, perhaps we can get negotiations moving.

Some agreement has been reached with the commercial people, but nothing has been agreed to with the manifold group. Both seemed to be entranced with the jurisdiction section.

This seems an appropriate time to poll our members as to what they think are vital parts of the proposal presented by the union. What do you think would be a just hourly wage rate to agree to in the new contract? What about sick leave, jury duty, severance pay, more holidays, etc?

Drop me a line, phone or come by the office and discuss these vital matters.

Before any contract can be presented to the membership for ratification, it must be approved by the ITU Contract Bureau; and then the members assembled for the purpose will either give their stamp of approval to the pact, modify it and send the committee back for more negotiations, or throw the whole thing out and ask ITU for strike sanction. And the way it looks sometimes, one begins to wonder just what the employers have in mind when they stall.

No longer can the S.F. situation be a bugaboo. Perhaps when you read this we will have met with the employers and have found a different atmosphere.

Again I say: If you have any thoughts or suggestions or even questions, call me at GL 1-0686, and let's kick the subject around awhile. You never know what new thinking will do to help.

Millmen 550

By CLYDE JOHNSON

Any member that knows of any employer using or ordering pre-milled or pre-cut cabinet parts from anywhere outside of the Bay Area should let the Union Office know right away.

We need far more help from 550 members on this issue. It is time all our members stood up to be counted. The job you protect will be your own. In some critical cases our members have done a wonderful job and the issue was won very quickly.

Every piece of pre-milled or pre-cut material imported from outside the Bay Area represents work lost by you or another member of Millmen 550.

We can't depend on employers for anything. Our jobs are at stake. It is our fight. The old-timers can tell you about the battle in the 1930's, when imports wiped out the big planing mills.

There is serious unemployment all around us. We cannot hop into other industries easily. We must protect the jobs we have now.

Increased benefits under our Health and Welfare Program should go into effect Aug. 15. The hospital room payment will be increased to the ward rate, the surgical payment will be increased to \$5 per unit on the California Relative Value scale, and complete coverage for hospital services up to \$2,000 (previously only 75 per cent over \$200).

There is a desperate need for people to help register voters. If you will qualify yourself as a registrar (it's easy), you can register voters at work, at your club or church, in your neighborhood, and anywhere in the country where you live. See Norm Amundson of the Central Labor Council (451-6184).

Painters Local No. 127

By SAM CAPONIO

The Labor Temple will be closed on Saturdays beginning this Saturday, Aug. 15.

This action has placed a burden on Local 127 to find out if the members wish to have the office open on Saturdays. There are about three unions in the Labor Temple that are open on Saturdays, and the cost of servicing the building with janitors on Saturday was more than the Labor Temple could afford.

We hope to have enough members at our next meeting on Thursday, Aug. 13, to solve this problem.

Some members are working overtime and are not receiving the overtime pay. These unscrupulous employers ask their men to work the overtime, and on payday the checks reflect straight time pay. If the employee asks for the overtime, he will receive it — but a few days later he is laid off.

We would like to quote the last sentence of Article XI, Section 12, of the contract: "Upon demand of the Local Joint Committee, the employer involved shall submit evidence to the satisfaction of the Local Joint Committee that the OVERTIME RATE WAS PAID on said emergency work."

We have a couple of employers who are to be tried on this very section of the agreement. If an employer needs to work the overtime, he should pay the rates for overtime.

All employers are not guilty of this practice of cheating on overtime. There are many faithful in that department. The monkey is on the back of the employer who DOES NOT PAY.

EDITOR'S NOTE

(The Labor Temple Association reconsidered Monday afternoon and decided not to close the building on Saturdays until further notice.)

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Labor's only chance here to raise \$\$

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is needed if we are to do the job that must be done this year to defeat the anti-labor Republican presidential candidate, Barry Goldwater.

Urging full support by all local unions and their members for the picnic "to do an effective job in this county to deliver the killing punch needed to knock Goldwater out," Ash also noted that individual areas for local unions are now being reserved.

He stressed the need for unions to reserve their areas as soon as possible.

REGISTRATION DRIVE

Assistant Secretary Norman E. Amundson reported that a preliminary check indicated that deputy voter registrars working with COPE had signed up 5,553 new eligible voters in Alameda County since the primary election.

He praised the work of a few individuals, specifically naming Rosalind Almond, Ray Luciano, Paul Bannon and Oscar Anderson, but said more deputies are needed, and many of those already deputized will be asked to spend more time signing up voters.

Amundson stressed that COPE must sign up four or five times the number it has registered so far, and less than a month remains before the voter registration deadline.

He announced mobilizations for voter registration at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday. Volunteers, including those who will help as canvassers as well as deputy registrars, should meet at 1247 E. 19th St., Oakland, or 4086 Bay St., Irvington District, Fremont.

CLC: Tribune face survey, U.C. program

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tions for an Executive Committee vacancy at the Aug. 24 meeting and will vote Aug. 31. The vacancy was created by the fact that Floyd Musgrove of Steelworkers 4468 is no longer a council delegate.

Strike sanction was authorized to:

- Millmen 550 against the E-Z Roll Wheel Co. of San Leandro.
- Automotive Machinists 1546 against the Northern California Dairy Industry Labor Relations Association, pending a check by the secretary's office with an involved union, and
- Building Employees 18 against the Bermuda Building, Oakland.

Savings Bond sales

Cash sales of U.S. Savings Bonds in northern California totaled \$9,834,666 in June, \$1,723,823 of which were sold in Alameda County, it was announced this week.

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STATE TROOPERS in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives aroused the anger of Democratic legislators, including State Representative James Musto, at microphone, who demanded that they be removed. This was done, and debate proceeded on the unemployment compensation bill. But Democrats were unsuccessful in finding out who had ordered the troopers into the chamber in the first place.

GOP Presidential candidate says 'no' as Senate approves war on poverty

President Johnson's blueprint for a war on poverty passed the United States Senate with the Republican Presidential candidate and most other GOP senators in opposition.

A similar measure was in the House Rules Committee waiting for clearance to the House floor. The bill passed by the Senate lays out a \$947,500,000 program with these major features:

1. A \$340,000,000 fund to help communities fight poverty in local programs.

2. A job corps to train and educate 40,000 young men and women in the age group in which lack of skill has caused sharp jobless problems.

3. A work-training program to help keep 200,000 teen agers from becoming school dropouts so that they may acquire educational background needed for employability.

4. A work-study program to provide jobs which needy college students need to continue education.

CANDIDATE OPPOSES

The Senate vote was 62 to 33, with Barry Goldwater among the opponents. The Presidential candidate had previously signed a minority report with rightwing GOP Senator John Tower of Texas, opposing clearance of the bill to the floor by the Senate Labor Committee.

The committee, with only Goldwater and Tower voting no, had reported the bill to the Sen-

ate by a 13 to 2 vote. The two GOP senators had sharply attacked the war on poverty as a publicity stunt.

Despite his opposition, the GOP candidate took no part in two days of Senate debate over the anti-poverty legislation and was not present on the votes which defeated a Republican senator's amendment which would have allowed governors to veto any federal funds for community programs in their states.

STATE'S RIGHTS

But two states' rights amendments were adopted in a concession to Dixiecrats and to forestall more restrictive GOP proposals.

They bar federal help to private non-profit institutions except colleges and universities in states whose governors disapprove and give governors the veto over establishment of youth camps in their states.

Phone workers seek to end inequities

Elimination of the "gross inequities" caused by a "senseless hodgepodge" of wage zones—107 in the Bell telephone system alone—will be the key goal of the Communications Workers.

A general wage increase averaging 10 to 11 cents an hour will be another main objective, along with improved job differentials and reclassifications.

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Recent high school graduates, continuing students and adults may sign up for courses at Laney College, 1001 Third Ave., Oakland, or Merritt College, 5714 Grove St., Oakland.

Courses will be given in trade, technical and semi-professional fields; liberal arts and general education.

Students new to the colleges will be required to take classification tests, scheduled for Aug. 19 and 27. Further information is available from either campus or the office of Peralta Colleges, 300 Grand Ave., Oakland. The phone is 834-5500.

Opportunity

Here's a chance for sons and daughters of union members to get valuable office work experience.

The Alameda County Committee on Political Education will accept a limited number of junior or senior high school students to work as volunteers in the COPE office.

COPE is preparing for the November election by checking membership lists, registering voters and working on campaigns. Young volunteers can get experience in light typing, filing and clerical work, either on a fulltime or part time basis.

If your son or daughter needs such experience, contact Norman Amundson or Susan Shaw at the COPE office, 451-6184.

Sacramento union official sentenced under L-G Act

Ralph P. Gross, a former secretary-treasurer of Hotel, Restaurant Employees and Bartenders 393, Sacramento, was sentenced to a year in jail for violating the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act.

Gross, who had pleaded guilty to wilfully filing false union financial reports with the Labor Department, was also fined \$300, placed on probation for five years and ordered to make restitution of any embezzled funds he had not already repaid.

Federal Judge Sherrill Halbert suspended all except 60 days of Gross' jail term.

Gross was re-elected to a three year term in July but is prohibited from serving, according to the Labor Department.

The Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act makes it a crime for anyone who has been convicted of filing false reports or other designated crimes to hold union office for a period of five years.

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S.F. strike over; let's stop fighting each other

The San Francisco commercial printing strike is over.

In addition to its length (11 months) and bitterness, this strike was notable for several things.

To us across the Bay in Alameda County, most notable was the threat of imported strikebreakers hired by employers to replace union members. Also significant was the fact that members of some of the other printing trade unions kept working behind picket lines.

We have studiously avoided getting involved in the question of whether this was a jurisdictional strike and—if so—to what extent. And we don't intend to get involved now.

But we cannot help observing that the San Francisco Typographical Union won a favorable settlement on all issues it struck for, despite the phenomenal lack of unity in organized labor and despite absence of much positive action by the San Francisco Labor Council.

Labor, it seems to us, has enough battles on its hands without fighting among itself. Inter-union fights are the ones which do most to give unions a public black eye.

We in Alameda County unions can be proud of our role in helping win this strike. We did not take sides between unions. But we fought against scabbing and strikebreaking on principle and as a threat to all union conditions in the Bay Area. We gave strong support to a campaign to return 1964 Oakland telephone directories printed behind picket lines at a struck firm in San Francisco, which helped put pressure on employers to end their union-busting attempt.

The Typographical Union has won an important victory against employers. Now all unions should patch up their differences and devote their energy to fighting common foes.

Beauty schools & jr. colleges

A State Assembly interim committee, chaired by Democrat Lester A. McMillan of Los Angeles, has been investigating "slave labor" cosmetology schools.

Among charges which apparently led to the probe were those filed by the Alameda County Central Labor Council, which had been contacted by students of a private beauty school in Richmond.

One of the complaints about such schools is that students pay stiff fees, while working free on customers who also pay for services received—hence the charge of "slave labor."

It should be pointed out that those desiring to become beauty operators may take courses at public junior colleges.

But many don't because they want to get through quickly and start earning money.

Many public junior colleges make cosmetology a two year program and require students to take academic and "frill" courses along with their vocational training. Labor spokesmen have criticized this practice by our publicly-supported institutions in many vocational fields. Here is another case where it is hurting the public.

Why didn't he say it?

The Republican candidate for President has declared, "extremism in defense of liberty is no vice." Accused of sanctioning such extremists as the Birchers and Ku Klux Klansmen, he then was quoted by his running mate as meaning "patriotism" when he said "extremism."

The question is: Why, if he meant "patriotism," didn't he say "patriotism?"

We can find no other answer except: Because he meant "extremism."

Teen-age volunteers

We in the Alameda County labor movement can be proud of our children. The Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education issued an appeal awhile back for teen-age volunteers to help in the voter registration campaign. The sons and daughters of unionists who responded have done a tremendously efficient job in checking names, filing, working on precinct directories, finding streets and otherwise assisting adult volunteers.

If they are typical of our future citizens and union members, maybe we don't have as much to worry about as the prophets of doom would have us believe.



HOUSING BIAS REPORTED IN 1 OF 3 CASES HERE

About one-third of the people who sell, rent or finance housing in Oakland discriminate, according to a report to the Mayor's Committee on Full Opportunity.

The report, which also goes to the Council of Social Planning, was prepared by Floyd Hunter, Berkeley sociologist. He was assisted by members of the mayor's committee in 328 interviews and in editing the report.

Housing discrimination in Oakland, the Hunter report says, follows the same general patterns as elsewhere.

It adds:

"Oakland's recent history of handling its minority housing and general cleanup problems is superior to that of former periods."

OTHER CITIES BLAMED

Many of the Negroes who live in Oakland, the report goes on, moved there because they were displaced following destruction of temporary war housing in Richmond, Berkeley, Albany and Alameda.

"These communities were determined to rid themselves of large surplus, Negro labor force," according to the Hunter report.

The report also quotes Sociologist Wilson Record as saying:

"Oakland's public finance burdens, as well as its racial tensions, are a consequence, in part, of San Leandro's discouragement of Negro immigration."

"San Leandro in recent years has wooed industry with promises of relatively low tax rates. To the extent that low tax rates are an inducement to companies seeking new plant locations, Oakland, which must provide public services and welfare payments to an expanding Negro population, thereby raising its revenue needs, is at a competitive disadvantage with exclusionist San Leandro.

"Ironically, San Leandro may get plants which, if located in Oakland, would provide the tax base upon which Oakland needs to draw industry in order to service the Negroes excluded by San Leandro."

SOLUTIONS NEEDED

Urging Oakland to lead the way in "imaginative solutions" to the problem of minority dispersion in the Bay Area, Hunter's 119 page report says most moves by Negroes into various areas of Oakland have been "contested all the way."

He adds:

"Block-busting, followed by flying wedges of first-comers, became familiar patterns in the transitional sections of the city."

Hunter emphasizes that many Negroes are still restricted to older areas, commenting:

"A good portion of the voiced discontent over housing arrange-

OPINIONS

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MEET CHALLENGE OF GOP CANDIDATE

Editor, Labor Journal:

The nomination of Barry Goldwater at the Republican Convention in San Francisco offers American citizens—a challenge that freedom and justice has not seen thrust upon it, since perhaps the coming of the Depression.

Although Goldwater has and will continue to backwater on his earlier views so that he will be more appealing to American voters in the November elections, his statements on civil rights, labor, and domestic-foreign policy affairs are quite clear. We are now confronted by a man (and unfortunately, a Party) who does not have an adequate perspective of the problems this country faces. He will campaign negatively, without a sound program and will avoid the answers to issues he brings up. No one can forget in 1960 when John F. Kennedy criticized the Eisenhower Administration but also brought forth a new vibrant blueprint for the future—a blueprint to build and create. Goldwater has no such blueprint.

The Republican Party is now committed to the words of Senator Goldwater who said (in his book, "Conscience of a Conservative," page 50), "I strongly favor enactment of State right-to-work laws which forbid contracts that make union membership a condition of employment."

By such a statement, Goldwater and the GOP plainly reveal they know nothing about the worker's attitude of mind. By voting against the Civil Rights Bill and by formulating a weak, compromised Republican Party Platform at the Convention, Barry Goldwater and the Republican Party clearly reveal they do not understand nor have compassion for minority groups, particularly Negroes.

And by Barry Goldwater's hostile statements about the emerging independent countries of the world (contained in an issue of "Look Magazine" in the last two months), he discourages the business community, as well, for it is only through international cooperation that modern commerce and business between nations can run smoothly and profitably for American business abroad. Thus the Republican Party has ruled out vast segments of the American populace.

There is only one way the Goldwater-Miller ticket can be beaten and that is through votes. Therefore it is the duty of every astute and conscious American to realize that "the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans" (and that generation is not Barry Goldwater's) and to make sure all workers are registered to cast their ballot for a blueprint and a future, not a past that has already fallen.

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DISCRIMINATION

Discrimination based on race, religion or ancestry is unfair and undemocratic. Every citizen is entitled to an equal opportunity in obtaining housing.—Congressman Don Edwards (D-9th District).